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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BEXP, IN  
SUBJECT: MAJOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENT TENDER-SPECIAL HANDLING

1. THE GOI'S OIL AND NATURAL GAS COMMISSION (ONGC) IN BOMBAY HAS INVITED INTERNATIONAL BIDS FOR THE LAYING OF TWO PARALLEL 210-KILOMETER PIPELINES RANGING FROM 26 INCHES TO 30 INCHES OD FOR TRANSPORTING CRUDE AND NATURAL GAS FROM THE OFFSHORE BOMBAY HIGH OILFIELD TO ONSHORE TERMINAL FACILITIES IN THE VICINITY OF BOMBAY.

2. THE PIPELINES WILL BE ENAMEL AND CONCRETE COATED AND WILL BE LAID IN DEPTHS RANGING FROM 0 TO 85 METERS AT THE BOMBAY HIGH TERMINATION. DUE TO THE SIZE OF THE PIPELINES AND THE WATER DEPTH, ANY INTERESTED CONTRACTOR MUST BE ABLE TO PROPOSE A LAY BARGE WITH CONSTANT TENSIONING DEVICES WITH A MINIMUM CAPACITY OF 60 METRIC TONS FOR WORK IN WATER DEPTHS IN EXCESS OF 20 METERS AND A MINIMUM CAPACITY OF 80 METRIC TONS IN DEPTHS IN EXCESS OF 50 METERS.

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3. PLANS CALL FOR THE WORK TO BE TAKEN UP BY SEPTEMBER 1977 FOLLOWING THE MONSOON SEASON AND TO BE COMPLETED BY EARLY MAY 1978 BEFORE ROUGH SEA CONDITIONS SET IN.

4. CONTRAKTORS INTENDING TO SUBMIT QUOTATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT SHOULD HAVE PAST EXPERIENCE IN THE LAYING OF LONG-DISTANCE SUBSEA TRUNK LINES OF AT LEAST 80 CONTINUOUS KILOMETERS IN LENGTH IN

COMPARABLE WATER DEPTHS FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSPORTING CRUDE AND NATURAL GAS, AND SHOULD PROVIDE DETAILS OF SUCH EXPERIENCE ALONG WITH THEIR BIDS.

5. U.S. CONTRACTORS ARE ADVISED TO SUBMIT THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES TO THE ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR (S AND P), OIL AND NATURAL GAS COMMISSION, "KAILASH", 6TH. FLOOR, 26 KASTURBA GANDHI MARG, NEW DELHI 110001, ON OR AFTER APRIL 7, 1977 WHERE TENDER DOCUMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

6. ONGC PLANS TO HOLD A TECHNICAL MEETING IN THEIR BOMBAY OFFICE EXPRESS TOWERS, 12TH. FLOOR, NARIMAN POINT, BOMBAY 400021 AT 1100 (IST) ON APRIL 28, 1977 TO CLARIFY ANY QUESTIONS COMPANIES MAY WISH TO RAISE BEFORE SUBMITTING THEIR BIDS.

7. THE CLOSING DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS IS 1400 HOURS (IST) MAY 19, 1977. THE BIDS ARE TO BE OPENED AT 1100 HOURS (IST) ON MAY 20, 1977 IN ONGC'S NEW DELHI OFFICE (REF PARA 5) IN THE PRESENCE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMPANIES WHICH HAVE SUBMITTED BIDS. SCHNEIDER

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